I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, in an envelope addressed to: MS Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450,

Docket No.: 30884/42244

(PATENT)

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RABADES Splication of:

Xiuquan Mei et al.

Application No.: 10/583,763

Confirmation No.: 8702

Filed: June 21, 2006

Art Unit: 0

For:

CLOSED CYCLE ZERO DISCHARGE

OXIDIZING PULPING PROCESS

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants hereby bring to the examiner's attention patent documents and a publication that may be material to the examination of the above-identified application. Therefore, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98, applicants enclose a completed Form PTO/SB/08/A/B listing the possibly pertinent patent documents and publication, and a copy of each patent document and the publication.

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted more than three months after the filing date of the above-identified application, and, to applicants' knowledge, before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. Therefore, under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), this Information Disclosure Statement shall be considered by the Patent Office.

The Commissioner, however, is hereby authorized to charge any fee which may be required during the pendency of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 37 C.F.R. 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 13-2855. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal is enclosed herewith.

**Apprecation** No.: 10/583,763 Docket No.: 30884/42244

We also enclose a copy of a International Search Report for the convenience

niner.

Please note that CN 1212310 corresponds to EP 902 120;

CN 1297085 corresponds to EP 1 101 860; and

CN 1371439 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,302,997.

Dated: June 6, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

James J. Napoli

Registration No.: 32,361

MARSHALL, GERSTEIN & BORUN LLP

233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 6300

**Sears Tower** 

Chicago, Illinois 60606-6357

(312) 474-6300

Attorney for Applicant



## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1 of

Complete if Known				
Application Number	10/583,763-Conf. #8702			
Filing Date June 21, 2006				
First Named Inventor	Xiuquan Mei			
Art Unit	0			
Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned			
Attorney Docket Number	30884/42244			

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Document Number  Number-Kind Code <sup>2</sup> ( <i>if known</i> )	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		<u> </u>			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Foreign Patent Document  Country Code <sup>3</sup> -Number <sup>4</sup> -Kind Code <sup>5</sup> ( <i>if known</i> )	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	.	
		CN-1107530	08-30-1995	Mac Millan Bloedel Ltd		V	
		CN-1142555	02-12-1997	Univ Nanjing Forestry		$\overline{V}$	
		DE-19612194	10-02-1997	Consortium Elektrochem Ind			
		CN-1198492	11-11-1998	Changwei Teacher S Training Sc		$\overline{V}$	
		CN-1212310	03-31-1999	Air Liquide		1	
		CN-1297085	05-30-2001	Praxair Technology Inc		$\overline{A}$	
	i	CN-1371439	09-25-2002	North Carotina State Univ		V	
		DE-10126988	12-12-2002	Call Krimhild		$\overline{V}$	
		CN-1407172	04-02-2003	Oyoshi Kk		$\overline{A}$	
		CN-1458075	11-26-2003	Univ Jilin		$\overline{V}$	

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. \(^1\) Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). \(^2\) See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at \(\frac{\text{www.uspto.qov}}{\text{uspto.qov}}\) or MPEP 901.04. \(^3\) Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). \(^4\) For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. \(^5\) Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. \(^6\) Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS				
Examiner Initials	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T <sup>2</sup>	
		"Cellulose Chemistry," Beijing, China Light Industry Press, 2001.		
		International Search Report in PCT/CN03/01121, dated October 14, 2004.		

<sup>\*</sup>EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Examiner	Date	
Signature	Considered	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). <sup>2</sup>Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.